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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month until December 22, 2006, within which to respond to the outstanding official action in the above-identified application. Enclosed is our check in the amount of \$120.00 for the fee. Please charge account number 02-4373 for any deficiency. A copy of this petition is enclosed for that purpose if it is deemed necessary.

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